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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office action dated August 18, 2009, for which a response is due on November 18, 2009. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to January 18, 2010, which was a holiday. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. The considered claims, claims 27-31, 36 and 38-40, were rejected. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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